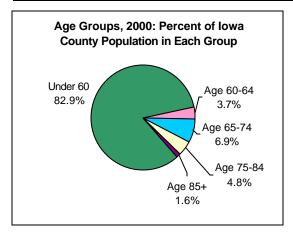
## **Iowa County's Older Population**

A summary of data from the U.S. Census, 2000

## Population:

The proportion of people age 65 and older in Iowa County is similar to that of the state as a whole (13.3% versus 13.1%). The rate of growth in the older population since 1990 has been slower in this county than in the state as a whole (6.0% versus 7.9%). In all, 3,039 people in this county are age 65 or older, and 375 of these are age 85 or older. Iowa County's average (or median) age is 37.1 years, compared to a statewide median of 36.0 years.

Iowa County: Population and Change Since 1990						
	2000 Census		1990 Census		Change: 1990-2000	
	Number	% of Total	Number	% of Total	Number	% Change
Total, All Ages	22,780		20,150		2,630	13.1%
Persons 60 and over	3,884	17.1%	3,743	18.6%	141	3.8%
Persons 65 and over	3,039	13.3%	2,867	14.2%	172	6.0%
Persons 85 and over	375	1.6%	336	1.7%	39	11.6%



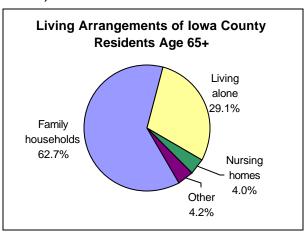
## Race:

A large majority (99.8%) of Iowa County's 65 and over population is white. On average, the county's minority groups are younger than whites. Iowa County African Americans have a median age of 19.5 years, and the median age of Hispanics/Latinos here is 29.5 years. Whites, in contrast, average 37.2 years.

## **Living Arrangements:**

Of the 8,764 households in Iowa County, 2,078 include at least one person age 65 or older (23.7% of all households). A total of 1,986 housing units in the county have a "household head" aged 65 or older, and 79.1% of these are owner occupied (the rest are rented).

A majority (62.7%) of the older population lives in "family households" containing at least two people related by blood or marriage, but another 29.1% of people 65 or older live alone. Of those older people in family households, 2.5% are living in the home of one of their children. A total of 123 people age 65 and older live in Iowa County nursing homes (4.0% of all those in this age group). A very small number of the county's older residents live in nonfamily households or in other institutions.



**SOURCE:** U.S. Census Bureau, Census 2000, Summary File 1.

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